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PRIDE AND PREJUDICE

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Summary:

Mrs.Bennet knew that Netherfield Park is to have at last a renter: Mr.Bingley-MrBingley being a young man of a large fortune, requests a very good chance for Mrs Bennet's daughters; therefore Mrs Bennet urges her husband to pay a visit to the new renter and introduce his wife and girls to him, in order to give him the chance to see the Bennet's girls for he might like one of them and decide to marry her.

Questions:

1. Explain the terms:

   to let : to become rented or leased.
   to take a house: to rent a house.
   to take possession: to get into one's hands.
   to settle in a place: to come to rest.

2. "The business of her life was to get her daughters married"
   Make a note of instances showing how Mrs.Bennet carried out this aim.

   To carry out her aim Mrs Bennet tried to urge her husband to pay a visit to Mrs Bingley in order to introudce his family in general but his daughters in particular to him because he might like one of them and marry her.

Chapter (2)

Summary:

Mrs Bennet is still carrying out her plan trying to introduce her daughters to Mr Bingley. This time she is planning to invite him to dinner, then make her daughters meet him in a ball.

Questions:

1. Explain the terms
   to have the advantage of someone: use a person to attain a certain purpose.
   to repay a person for his kindness: to pay a person back for his kindness.
   to make new acquaintances: a personal knowledge familiarity.

2. It is an English custom to try to call on new arrivals in a district. Neighbours would either pay them visits or invite them. Then a party or "ball is held to which these new neighbours are invited, and in which they are introduced to their neighbours.

Chapter (3) .

Summary :

Mrs Bennet was carrying on her plaus. She invited Mr. Bingley, who came and sat with Mr. Bennet in the library and had no chance to see the young ladies of whose beauty he had heard much. A second chance came to Mrs. Bennet, she invited Mr. Bingley to dinner, but she was quite upset to know that Mr. Bingley will not be able to attend. To compensate him, Mr. Bingley agreed to appear on the next public ball, where he introduced his two sisters and his friend Mr. Darcy and at the same time he got to know his neighbours.

1. Explain the terms:

   to do credit to: something that gains or adds to reputation or esteem.

   to return a visit: to pay back a visit.

   to crown all: best of all.

   to be always flying about from one place to another: to move from place to place.

   to sit out a dance: not to dance a dance - to remain seated when others are dancing.

   to be in good spirits: happy - in good mood.

2. Why did the girls grieve over "such a large number of ladies"?

   The girls grieved over such a large number of ladies because they wanted themselves to be the only focus of Mr. Bingley's attention. And they feared that the presence of other ladies would preoccupy Mr. Bingley.

3. What would you expect to notice about a woman who was "an air of fashion"?

   To be very elegant, very pretty, and to be dressed according to the latest fashion.

4. How did Mr. Darcy behave at the ball ?

   Mr. Darcy danced only with Mrs. Hurst and once with Miss Bingley and refused to be introduced to any other lady. He spent the rest of the evening in walking about the room. It was such behaviour that gave rise to a digust which ended his popularity.

Chapter (4)

Summary :

The Bennets had for friends the Lucas, Sir William Lucas and Lady Lucas. On the morning following the ball Mrs. Lucas and Mrs. Bennet

met to talk over the ball. They talked about Mr.Darcy's behaviour during the ball and especially with Elizabeth.

1. Explain the terms:
   to talk over a matter: to discuss a matter or a subject or to consider it in conversation.
   without opening his lips: without talking
   with everything in his favour: all circumstances serve him.

2. What did Mr.Darcy do which caused Elizabeth to say that he had "humbled her pride" ?

   Mr.Darcy refused to dance with her because he thought that she was not handsome enough to tempt him.

Chapter(5)

Summary:

Jane and Elizabeth because more acquainted with the Bingleys. Although Elizabeth saw pride in their treatment of everybody even her sister and could not like them. Jand and Mr.Bingley were mutually attracted to each other. Mr.Darcy also began liking Elizabeth who was completely unaware. To her he was the man who had offended her- In Sir Lucas' party Mr.Darcy tried to dance with Elizabeth but she refused firmly.

1. In what circumstances do you say that a visit is "formally returned"? In what other way might a visit be paid ?

   The new arrivals in an English district are visited by their neighbours as a sign of welcome. In their turn the new arrivals have to return this visit; this is what we call a "formally returned visit" but when both, the new arrivals and the neighbours, visit each other afterwards, this is not to be called a formally returned visit, but an ordinary visit.

2. Explain the terms:
   good features: a good looking face.
   to shake one's purpose: to persuade to cause to change the Mind.
   to be all politeness: marked by tact, deference.

3. What is the meaning of "at Sir William Lucas's"?

   This refers to the house of the Lucas family, called "Lucas Lodge"

4. Why did Elizabeth refuse to dance with Mr.Darcy.

   Because she had not yet forgotten that he was the man who had humiliated her at the public ball by saying that she was not handsome enough to tempt him.

Chapter (6)

Summary:

Jane received from Louisa and Caroline Bingley a note asking her to dine with them because they were to dive alone. Mrs.Bennet was very delighted, and never fed up of carrying out her plan to gain Mr.Bingley as husband to any of her daughters, asked Jane to go on horseback and hoped that it would rain because in that case Jane would be obliged to pass the night at the Bingley's, and would have the chance to see Mr.Bingley next morning. Mrs.Bennet's hopes were answered. It rained hard. The bennets received next morning a note telling them that Jane was ill. Elizabeth decided to go to see her sister and she also was invited to remain at Netherfield.

1. Explain the terms:

   to pay their respects: to show their homage
   with impatient activity: not patient and at the same time anxious.

2. Why did Mrs.Bennet want Jane to go on horseback ?
   was her plan successful ?

   Mrs.Bennet wanted her daughter to go on horseback because she has predicated that it might rain, and if it does, the Bingleys most probably will not let her go back on horseback in the rain and will invite her to pass the night in Netherfield. And Mrs.Bennet's plan was successful to a great extent because all what she has predicated happened.

3. In what condition did Elizabeth arrive at Netherfield Park ?

   Elizabeth arrived with weary ankles, dirty stockings and a face rosy with the warmth of exercise.

Chapter (7)

Summary:

During her staying with her sister at Netherfield, Elizabeth always felt to be an unwelcome guest as a result of the sisters' behavior the later showed unfriendly signs to Elizabeth. They often abused her when she was not in their presence.

1. Why did Elizabeth dislike Miss.Bingley and her sister ?

   Because of their lack of real feeling towards Jane when she was not in their presence and also because they made her feel to be an unwelcome guest.

2. Miss Bingley was supposed to be a friend of Miss Bennet did she behave as a true friend on this occasion ?

No, she did not behave as a true friend because she began abusing her and laughing at her as soon as she left the room.

Chapter (8)

Summary:

Mrs. Bennet was sent a note to go to Netherfield to see her daughter. Being satisfied on seeing that Jane's condition was not serious, she would not listen to her daughter's proposal of being taken home. She wanted them to stay the longest possible time. In the same evening Elizabeth noticed many times that Mr. Darcy's eyes were fixed on her. Miss Bingley noticed the same thing too. After few days the two sisters returned home.

1. How do you account for Mr. Darcy's strange behaviour when in the presence of Elizabeth ?

It obvious that Mr. Darcy is being hardly inclined to Elizabeth. Until now he is still resisting his feeling of admiration. He is afraid of Elizabeth. He is afraid that he might like her more and more if he keeps on seeing her, therefore he tries to avoid speaking to her.

Chapter (9)

Summary:

Mr. Bennet announces to his wife that his cousin Mr. Collins will drop in to visit them. Mr. Bennet explained to his wife that after his death Mr. Collins will enherit Mr. Bennet's property, an estate of two thousand, because it is entailed - the purpose of Mr. Collins' visit, who is now a priest is to good the wrong done to Mr. Bennet's wife and daughters.

1. Explain fully how it was that the Bennet family might loose possession of the estate after Mr. Bennet's death.

They would loose possession of the estate after Mr. Bennet's death because the estate is entailed which means that it has to pass by low after his death to his nearest male relative, a distant cousin.

2. Explain the terms:

Beyound the reach of reason: to be unable to reason a certain subject.

an estate of two thousand: a property which gives a revenue that amounts to two thousand.

to make good the wrong done: to replace the injustice done by fair and good things.

3. What kind of mair would you expect Mr.Collins to be after reading his letter ?

   After reading the letter Mr.Collins seems to be a kind, fair and pious mare.

Chapter(10)

Summary :

Mr.Collins arrived punctually and was received cordially by the bennets. He was a tall, heavy-looking young man & twenty five his air was serious and his manners very formal. They had dinner all together. By tea-time they went to the drawing room and the guest began reading a book to the ladies.

1. We are told of Mr.Collins that "his manners were formal" what does this mean ?

   Mr.Collins' manners were following or according with established form, custom or rule.

2. What did Mr.Bennet mean when he said that Mr.Collins was fortunate in his Patroness ?

   Mr.Bennet meant by saying that, to start a subject for conversation in which he expected his guest to shine.

3. From the Chapters so far read what have you learned about the ways in which an English family such as the Bennets spent their evening at home ?

   They might choose a certain subject to talk about, or they might choose a book to be read to them.

Chapter (11)

Summary :

Mr.Collins had in mind to choose one of the Misses Bennet as wife. He first chose Jane but when he knew that she was likely to be very soon engaged, he changed from Jane to Elizabeth.

1. Which of Mr.Collins' words or actions showed him to be "a mixture of self-importance and humility"?

   His feeling that he is the object of attention of the Honourable Lady Catherine de Bourgh shows his feeling of self-importance. His

feeling of humility is apparent in his plan to marry one of his cousins though he is a man of high position, sufficient income and having a good house.

2. What was Mr.Collins' object in choosing a wife from among the Bennet girls ?

His object was to make good the wrong done to them - By inheriting their father's estate they would be poor therefore he thought of marrying one of them as a reconciliation.

3. Why was Mr.Collins now "high in Mrs.Bennet's favour?"

Mr.Collins is now high in Mrs.Bennet's favour because he is to become her son in law.

Chapter (12)

Summary :

The Misses Bennet except Mary went to Meryton accompanied by Mr.Collins. In Meryton they met Mr.Denny and Mr.Wickham his friend-while conversing together they saw Mr.Darcy and Mr.Bingley - As Mr.Darcy's eyes fell on Mr.Wickham's face they both changed colour. Neither Jane nor Elizabeth was able to explain such behaviour.

1. Describe what happened when Mr.Darcy recognized Mr.Wickham?

As Mr.Darcy saw Mr.Wickham they both changed colour, one looked white, the other red. Mr.Wickham after a few moments, touched his hat, a greeting which Mr.Darcy scarcely seemed to return.

2. Can you make a guess as to the reason for the way they behaved to each other ?

I think that they happen to know each other from before, and there must be something between them.

Chapter (13)

Summary :

Mrs.Bennet, Mr.Collins, Mr.Wickham and Mr.Darcy, were invited at Mrs Philips' Mr.Wickham was the happy man towards whom almost every lady's eye was turned, and Elizabeth was the happy woman by whom he finally seated himself. Elizabeth mainly wanted to know from Wickham the history of his acquaintance with Mr.Parcy. Mr.Wickham told her that his father was the late Mr.Darcy's agent and that he and Mr.Darcy Junior were born in the same place and

brought up together, and that after Mr.Darcy's death he left him in his will the best living as a gift. But Darcy Junior objected saying that I had no right to the living - he also told her that the Lady Catherine de Bourg and Lady Anne Darcy are sisters and that she is aunt to the present Mr.Darcy.

1. What was it that made Mr.Wickham so attractive to the young ladies?

First he was a stranger which was easily noticed, second he was a charming young man. He was handsome and a ready talker.

2. Why was Elizabeth particularly interested in him ?

Elizabeth was interested in Mr.Wickham because she wanted to know the history of his acquaintance with Mr.Darcy.

3. Explain the terms.

a conditional recommendation: depending upon certain terms, or condition to be fulfilled.

to provide for someone's future: to secure someone's future.

to be brought up: to be raised with.

to releive the poor: to help the poor.

4. What was Mr.Wickham's version of the trouble between him and Mr.Darcy.

The main reason of the trouble was on a living left to Mr.Wickham by the late Mr.Darcy. Mr.Darcy junior objected and said that Mr.Wickham had no right to the living on account of bad conduct. All this confusion was the result that the will was not worded quite clearly.

5. "It is beleived that she and her cousin will unite the two estates" explain this.

This statement means that there is a project of marrying Miss de Bourgh to Mr.Darcy Junior in order to unite their fortune together.

Chapter (14) .

S u m m a r y :

The Bennets received a personal invitation for the long-expected ball at Netherfield which was fixed for the following tuesday, this invitation kept them quite busy. Elizabeth was asked to reserve the very first two dances to Mr.Collins while she had in mind to keep them to Mr.Wickham. Also he had a hunch that she was chosen from among her sisters as being suitable in his opinion to be the mistress of Hunsford Parsonage.

1. Distinguish between "a personal invitation" and "a formal card".

   When the host personally invites his guests, this is to be called a personal invitation. But when the host for any reason doesn't invite personally his guests, he sends to them cards which we call formal cards.

2. What made Elizabeth think that Mr.Collins intended to ask her to marry him.

   Because he has asked her to reserve him her two first dances and she also observed his increasing politeness to her.

Chapter (15)

S u m m a r y :

In the ball the elder Bennets had dressed with more than usual care. Jane had the intention of dedicating all her attention to Mr.Bingley. Elizabeth in her turn tried to win Mr.Wickham's heart. During the ball Miss Bingley assumed the responsility of telling Elizabeth that Wickham is not to be trusted - Mrs Bennet went all around spreading the news that her daughter Jane will soon marry Mr.Bingley.

1. Elizabeth did not enjoy the ball. What were the chief reasons for this.

   Because she did not see Mr.Wickham and also because she felt that the Darcys heated him.

2. What did she learn of the feelings of the Bingleys and Mr.Darcy towards Mr.Wickham ?

   She learned that they did not like him because they went on abusing him in front of her.

Chapter (16)

S u m m a r y :

Mr.Collins proposed to Elizabeth. But in his proposal he stressed too much on the fact that she is poor and he is rich - Elizabeth declined his proposal on the basis that he had too good an opinion of himself and his position. Inspite of her refusal be still believed that next time she would agree.

1. What do you learn from this chapter about the way in which a proposal of marriage was made in those days ?

   The gentleman would declare his intentions to the mother, who would give him the chance to see and talk with the future bride privately to propose to her.

2. Elizabeth considered that Mr.Collins had too good an opinion of himself and his position. How did he show this in his proposal of marriage ?

First his prediction that Elizabeth will surely acdept, second his stress upon her not having a fortune. Third his feeling of being a model priest.

Chapter (17)

S u m m a r y :

Mrs.Bennet knowing that her daughter has refused Mr.Collins offer, went to Mr.Bennet to ask for his help to persuade Elizabeth. Mrs.Bennet was astonished to know her husband too does not agree.

1. Explain the terms:

to bring to reason: to make someone see things reasonably.
to know her own interest: to know her good.
a hopeless business: a vain affair or matter.

2. Did Mr.Bennet regard a marriage between Elizabeth and Mr.Collins as suitable ?

No, and he told her that he would not see her if she accepted Mr.Collins' offer.

3. In Chapter (1) Mr.Bennet is described as a mixture of quick wits and humour. Give an Example of this from this chapter.

His conversation with Elizabeth about her marriage shows this sense of humour . He said that if Elizabeth would agreed to marry Mr.Collins her mother would not accept to see her and in his turn he told her that he would not see her if she did.

Chapter (18)

S u m m a r y :

Jane receives a letter from Caroline Bingley telling her that they will all leave to town without any intention of coming back again. Jane and Elizabeth tried to explain the secret behind their leaving Netherfield. Each of them had her own explanation.

1. Why do you think Miss.Bingley wrote to Jane ?

Miss Bingley wrote to Jane to inform her that they are leaving to town without any intention of coming back again and mainly to tell her about Mr.Bingley's admiration of Mr.Darcy's sister and of the family's hopes that they would marry.

2. Jane and Elizabeth had quite different ideas about the reason for the letter, with which do you agree ? why ?

Jane explained the matter on the basis that Caroline did not send her the note but to put her on her guard because her brother was not in love for her - while Elizabeth beleived that Caroline meant only to persuade Jane that her brother does not love her despite the fact that she knows he does , because she wants him to marry Darcy's sister, because of the fact that the Bennets are not wealthy enough for them.

I believe that Elizabeth is right because all events in the story until now shows that Bingley cares for Jane.

Chapter (19)

Summary :

Mr. Collins feeling hurt because of Elizabeth's refusal of his offer proposed to Miss Lucas. The offer was soon accepted this engagement created an awkward atmosphere between the two families.

1. Although Elizabeth did not wish to marry Mr. Collins she seems to have been annoyed that he should ask her friend to marry him. why was this ?

First because Mr. Collins had made two offers of marriage within three days - Second she would never have expected Charlotte to sacrifice every better feeling to worldly advantage. She felt that her friend had disgraced herself nor did she believe it possible for her to be happy in the life she had chosen.

Chapter (20)

Summary :

Jane's hopes were entirely over when she received a letter from Miss. Bingley telling her that they were all settled in London for the winter. Jane bore her sorrow with gentle sweetness, but Elizabeth blamed Mr. Bingley for his weakness in being pursuaded by his sisters.

1. The first twenty chapters have been largely concerned with marriage problems. Mr. Bennet and his wife seem to have quite different points of view in these matters. Try to summarize the ways in which each looked at the subject.

Mrs. Bennet's whole hope was to marry her daughters; how and to whom she didn't care, She only wanted them to have comfortable homes, wealthy husbands. She could not care less who the proposer

is he satisfied the previous two conditions. He believes that he is the only one to know where her daughters' interest lies.

Whereas Mr.Bennet thinks that the agreement of his daughters to the offer is more essential than money or position. He think that a suitable proposer need not be wealthy or in a high posi

Chapter 21.

Summary:

The Bennets received Mr. and Mrs Gardiner. Mr.Gardiner is Mrs.Bennet's brother they came from London to spend Christmas at Longboura. When they left they had with them Jane for a change and to make her mix with other people.

1. Mrs.Bennet could not keep to the point in conversation - Give an instance of this from this chapter.

   Mrs.Bennet began talking about her two daughters then she shifted to the arrival of Mrs.Gardiner, then to talk about long sleeves.

2. Why did Mrs.Gardiner say that a "change of scene might be of service" to Jane ?

   Mrs.Gardiner suggested this change of scene in order to help Jane forget Bingley. Because they live in a different part of the town, and mix with so different a class of society that she is not likely to meet Mr.Bingley.

3. "You must not disappoint your father" what action on Elizabeth's part was Mrs.Gardiner thinking of ?

   Mrs.Gardiner meant to make think twice before involving herself in any relation with Mr.Wickham if he is not to get the fortunes he ought to have. She does not want her to marry a poor man because in this case she will disappoint her father.

Chapter 22.

Summary :

Jane wrote to Elizabeth many letters from London telling her that she had not yet seen Mr.Bingley although she had visited them more than once. And in addition she told her that during her last visit to them she could not be blind to Miss.Bingley's in attention. In her turn Elizabeth sent to Mrs.Gardiner telling her that Wickham's attentions to herself were over and he was the admirer of Miss.Mary king, a young lady who had suddenly inherited ten thousand pounds.

1. Why could the letters between Elizabeth and Charlotte not be as open as before ?

The fact that Mr.Collins had proposed to Elizabeth before marrying Charlotte created an akward atmosphere between them at first but later this akwardness decreased gradually but will never be as it was before.

2. "Elizabeth shook her head over the letter" Explain this ?

Elizabeth felt that Caroline Bingley is still trying to prevent her from seeing Bingley, and also trying to make Jane stop running after her brother.

Chapter 23.

Summary :

Elizabeth received an invitation from Mrs.Collins to visit Hunsford. On her way to Husford she had to pass by London. She drop in Mrs.Gardiner's place, saw Jane. She sat with Mrs.Gardiner and their main subject was her sister who according to her aunt has not yet overcome her sorrow. Elizabeth received another invitation to accompany her uncle and her aunt on a tour in the summer to the Lakes.

Chapter 24.

Summary :

Elizabeth arrived at Hunsford. She was welcome. They showed her the house and the garden. Mr.Collins tried to make Elizabeth feel that she had lost by refusing him. Next morning Miss.De Bourgh and her companion Mrs.Jenkinson paid a visit to Mr.and Mrs.Collins. Elizabeth was called to receive them with the collins.

1. "Elizabeth smiled to herself" what amused her ?

She smiled because she felt that Charlotte had tried with success to endure her husband. She felt too that Charlotte has been able to put up with him.

2. What differences in meaning could be given to the phrase' "in the country" ?

- in the country: The country side, a village ex: countryside of England.
- in the country: the town and not the village for example England. Where an English is out of England he can refer to England as saying"in my country there is .... etc.

3. Miss de Bourhg was "thin and small" then why did Elizabeth say she liked her appearance.

This was a sarcastic reply of Elizabeth.

Chapter 25.

Summary:

Mr. and Mrs.Collins, Elizabeth and Maria Lucas were invited to dine at Rosings where Lady Catherine lived. When Mr.Collins instructed them how to behave and in what they were to expect. Lady Catherine's air was not friendly. Whatever she said was spoken in so commanding a tone as marked herself-importance. The dinner was exceedingly fine. After the diner the card tables were placed.

1. Elizabeth frequently showed that she was a sensible and well mannered girl. Give instances from this chapter.

Elizabeth showed to be a sensible and a well-mannered girl in her reply to Lady Catherine. Lady Catherine's succeeding questions were somehow rude but she answered them calmly.

2. What is your opinion of Lady Catherine as shown from her behaviour at her dinner party ?

In all her behaviors, her self importance was noticed - she gave her opinion on everything and expected nobody to question or object this opinion. She is not a delicat nor a sensible woman, this was obvious in her questions to Elizabeth.

Chapter 26.

Summary :

The Collins and Elizabeth received another invitation to Rosings. This time Elizabeth met Darcy and his cousin Colonel Fizwilliam a well mannered and well-bred man. Elizabeth liked him for his knowledge and good manner. As usual Lady Catherine intruded in all discussions.

1. Mr.Darcy looked a little ashamed of his aunt's ill breeding. How did she show this ?

In all her conversations Lady Catherine's ill breeding was obvious. She pretended to be an authority in everything- her talks with other people veiled herself importance and pride. All these behaviors made Darcy feel as hawe of his aunt.

Chapter 27.

Summary :

Mr.Darcy paid a visit to the Collins but to his surprise he found Elizabeth alone in the house. They sat and talk for a while, she asked him about the Bingleys and his reply was that they might not come back to Netherfield again. When Mrs.Collins came home and found Darcy she interpreted this that Darcy must be in love with. Elizabeth. But Elizabeth always laughed at the idea.

1. Why was Elizabeth so interested in finding out about the movements of the Bingley family.

   She wanted to find out whether they intend to go back to Netherfield or they will stay for good in London. She needed this information for her sister Jane.

2. What were the reasons given by people for Mr.Darcy's visit to the Parsonage ?

   Charlotte said that he must be in Love with Elizabeth. But another reason was that gentlemen cannot always be within doors, and the nearness of the Parsonage tempted the two cousins to walk there almost everyday, sometimes separately, sometimes together.

Chapter 28

Summary :

As she was walking within the Park at Rosings, Elizabeth met colonel Fritz William. In their conversation together they talked about Mr.Darcy and Mr.Bingley. Colonel Fitz William told her how Mr.Darcy interfered to save Mr.Bingley from the inconveniences of a most imprudent marriage. He told her too that there were strong objections against the lady. This made her feel hatred towards Mr.Darcy and indirectly made her refuse to have tea at Rosings.

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1. What made Elizabeth's heart "Swell with indipnation" ?

   The feeling that there were objections to her sister's marriage to Mr.Bingley she treed to think of the Reasons but could not find logical ones. Another reason was that it was Darcy who the sole responsible person in ruining her sister's happiness by interfering and preventing this marriage.

Chapter 29

Summary:

Elizabeth was left alone in the Parsonage. Mr.Darcy came to inquire after her health. Then he began talking about his admiration for her and finally asked her for marriage. Elizabeth was astonished by the offer but the manner and the style in which it was presented made her boil inside, for Mr.Darcy in every sentence he said stressed her inferiority, and cited the objections that he had overcome to marry her inspite of the great differences between them. To his astonishment he received a negative answer. Elizabeth accompanied her negative answer with a detailed explanation for her refusal.

1. Mr.Darcy proposed marriage to Elizabeth in a very strange manner. Mention some of the things he said which you would not have expected to be said at such a time.

   His stressing on her inferiority, his sense that this marriage being a degradation.

2. What reasons did Elizabeth give for refusing to marry Mr.Darcy?

   The fact that he feels she inferior to him - second the fact that he was the main means of ruining the happiness of her sister - third she could not tolerate his shameful pride which made him act with cruelty - his behavior with Mr.Wickham.

3. Do you think Mr.Darcy was surprised at being refused ?

   Yes, because he was sure of getting an affirmative answer.

Chapter 30

Summary :

Next morning Elizabeth met Darcy in her walk. He gave her a letter in which he explained why and how he tried to separate between Mr.Bingley and Jane. He also explained to her to what extent Mr.Wickham was a wicked Person because he tempted his sister Miss.Darcy to run away with him he also denied the fact that he had injured Mr.Wickham.

1. Give Mr.Darcy's reasons for trying to prevent a marriage between Jane and Mr.Bingley.

   The main reason was the situation of Mrs.Bennet's family, her lack of good breeding, in addition to that of the younger Misses Bennet.

2. Summarize Mr.Darcy's version of the trouble between himself and Mr.Wickham.

Darcy explained how that the family living was to go to Wickham on condition that the church would be the profession of the later. But Wickham was not fit to be a priest, he asked for money to study law but has not succeeded. As he failed in his studies he asked for the living. When Darcy refused he tried to make love to Miss.Darcy hoping to marry her mainly to get her fortune and to get even at Mr.Darcy.

3. In what respects did it differ from Mr.Wickham's story?

Wickham dropped the condition that was mentioned in the will concerning his carrier in the church and of course that changed the whole matter. He also never mentioned his love affair with Miss.Darcy.

4. Which of the two accounts would you prefer to believe ?

I believe that of Mr.Darcy because the story of Wickham's designs on Miss Darcy was confirmed for before by Colonel Fitz william which means that Mr.Darcy was not lying.

5. From what you have read do you consider that Mr.Darcy was fair in his opinion of the various members of the Bennet family.

Yes.

Chapter 31

Summary :

As she finished the letter, Elizabeth read it and again. As she though for sometime in all what Darcy has mentioned she find out that she was biased against Darcy. She also felt that all what he has said about her sister's feeling was true, she also believed that Darcy's criticism of her family was correct yet she would not accept it from his. Mr.Darcy had left shortly after handing her the letter. Elizabeth in her turn had to go back home.

1. What effect did Mr.Darcy's letter have on Elizabeth ?

It made her feel sorry because she had been biased against Mr.Darcy.

Chapter 32

Summary :

The three young ladies were met by Lydia and Kitty. They all had dinner together. Then went home. At the Bennets, the Lucas were also present. They all sat around the dinning table and talked.

1. This chapter gives the first picture of Lydia's nature; what kind of person do you judge her to be ?

She is a careless, self willed girl. Also she is selfish. She is not also well-bred - ignorant, and Idle. But one of her main characteristics is her hobby to pursuit the officers and her desire to get married by all means.

Chapter 33

Summary :

Elizabeth was anxious to tell her sister about Mr.Darcy's letter she told her only about George Wickham, but could not relate the other half of Mr.Darcy's letter. They both decided that although Wickham proved to be a real wicked person, yet they must say nothing about it.

1. "What sort of a table do they keep?" What did Mr.Bennet want to know when she asked this question ?

She wanted to inquire about the kind of food they eat, do they eat well, or is their table poorly prepared.

2. Jane and Elizabeth frequently give eirdence of their kind disposition. Give instances from this chapter.

They both showed their kind disposition in their intention to hide what they have heard about Wickham inspite his obvious wickedness. In her turn Elizabeth witnessed her kind disposition when she tried to hide what she has known from Mr.Darcy about Mr.Bingley.

Chapter 34

Summary :

1. Explain:

The young ladies were drooping apace:

To become depressed swiftly.

All sense of pleasure was lost in shame :

pleasure was overweighted by shame.

2. Why did Elizabeth try to persuade her father to refuse permission for Lydia to go to Brighton ?

Elizabeth was afraid to let her sister go to Brighton where the temptations must be greater than at home, first because of Lydia's unguarded manner, second because of her imprudence- All this made Elizabeth feel that this invitation as the death-blow to all possibility of common sense in Lydia.

3. Why did he not with hold his consent ?

Because he felt no danger in sending her to Brighton. First because she is luckily poor to be an object of prey to anybody. Second, because Colonel Forster will be with her and he will keep her out of any real mischief. Third, because he felt that they shall not have peace at home if she does not go.

Chapter 35

Summary :

Elizabeth met Wickham for the last time. She felt that her interest in him had entirely gone especially when she felt that his renewing attentions to her now that Miss.King had gone. As they were dinning together with other officers on the very last day of the regiment's stay. Elizabeth told him that she met Colonel Fitz william and Darcy at Rosings. He looked surprised displeased and alarmed. She felt that at this moment he would be glad to leave the district.

1. Why was Mr.Wickham glad to be leaving the district ?

Because he felt in secure when he heard that Miss Bennet had met Darcy and Fitz William. He suspected from her way of talking that she had heard the true story of Mr.Darcy.

2. Why did Kitty shed tears of self-pity and envy ?

Kitty cried because she envied her sister for going to Brighton. Because she wanted to accompany her.

Chapter 36.

Summary :

Elizabeth thought that her parent's marriage was ill-judged- Respect, confidence and happiness between them was lacking. She also stressed the unfitting nature of her father's behaviour as a husband. But Elizabeth thought another things besides this, her northern tour with Mrs.Gardiner. But great was her disappointment when she learnt that they were obliged to give up the Lakes and substitute a more contracted tour. They now thought of going on a tour no farther Northward than Derbyshire. With the mention of Derby-Shire, there were many ideas that passed into Elizabeth's mind.

1. What was Elizabeth's opinion of her father ? From what you read do you think it was a fair opinion ?

   Elizabeth had never been blind to the unfitting nature of her father's behaviour as a husband - and this opinion of hers is not to be judged as being unfair.

2. What was Pemberley and who was its owner ?

   Pemberly was Mr.Darcy's state.

Chapter 37.

Summary :

Mr. and Mrs.Gardiner went on their tour with their niece. Mrs.Gardiner expressed her wish to see Lambton her former house in Derbyshire. Elizabeth knew that Pemberley was only five miles away from Lambton. She was able to find out that the owner of the estate was absent.

Elizabeth with Mr.and Mrs.Gardiner thought of visiting Pemberly. They were received by the housekeeper who from the moment they arrived till they left had not stopped talking about her master. Every idea brought forward by the housekeeper was favourable to Mr.Darcy's character. As Elizabeth heard this she looked once again at his picture with a more gentle feeling towards him.

1. Explain these statements made about Elizabeth :

   Her embarassment had given place to curiosity.

   Her confusion or empediment had given way to curiosity or in other words, her curiosity replaced her embarassment.

   her mind was too full for conversation.

   Her mind was busy that she was not ready to go into any conversation.

2. What was the housekeeper's opinion of Mr.Darcy ? Does it agree with what you have so far read about him ?

   The housekeeper saw in Mr.Darcy the best master and the best landlord that ever lived. This opinion of hers astonished the visitor because this account of Mr.Darcy's good qualities that Housekeeper gave was most opposite to their ideas of him and opposite to the way in which they have seen him behave at Netherfield Park or at Rosings.

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3. What is meant by family prejudice ?

Here this phrase means that the housekeepers' opinion was biased in favour of her master as a result of her working for them.

Chapter 38.

Summary :

As Mr., Mrs Gardiner and Elizabeth were admiring the grounds, the owner of the building came forward. Elizabeth was surprised and so was he. She introduced him to her relatives they all walked together. Mr.Darcy told her that he had put forward his arrival on account of some business and he added that his party are to arrive the next morning, and among them will be Mr.Bingley and his sisters. Mr.Darcy also asked Elizabeth to allow him to introduce her sister to her. When Mr.Darcy left them they were all amazed by his politeness and Elizabeth was flattered and pleased.

1. Give in your own words an account of the meeting between Elizabeth and Mr.Darcy.

Their first impression was astonishment then they both blussed as their eyes met. Mr.Darcy addressed Elizabeth with perfect politeness - Elizabeth was amazed at the alteration in his manners. She also felt that the few minutes in which they continued together were some of the most uncomfortable in her life - he too, when he spoke, his voice had none of its usual calmness.

2. Explain the terms:

to answer mechanically: to answer without thinking.

a look expressive of her wonder: a look that expressed admiration and amazement.

to create an impression: the effect or idea produced by a person in other people.

in a guarded manner: in an objective manner.

The scene of her youth: The places where the person has been brought up.

To be occupied with one's own thoughts:

To think of personnel matters.

Chapter 39.

Summary:

The Darcys and Mr. Bingley were invited by the gardiness. Elizabeth felt that Mr.Darcy was doing his best to gain the good opinion of her relations. She found out too that nothing in the conduct of Mr.Bingley and Miss Darcy justified what has been reported before. Elizabeth found Miss Darcy a gentle and a shy girl. When the visit came to an end the wish was expressed of seeing them all at dinner at Pemberley two days later.

Chapter 40

Summary :

Elizabeth and her aunt called on Miss Darcy - There they met Miss Bingley and Mrs.Hurst. The later met them in a cold manner With Mr.Darcy's appearance Elizabeth tried to appear perfectly unembarrassed and at ease. Miss Bingley tried many times to confuse Elizabeth and make her show some feeling that might harm her in Darcy's opinion. But Elizaberh's self control vexed her. When Elizabeth and her aunt left Mr.Darcy who could control himself no longer, expressed openly his admiration for Elizabeth.

1. Explain the terms:

   an awkward pause: an embarrassing silence.
   attentive curiosity: obvious inquisitiveness.
   The imprudence of anger: anger sometimes leads to not being causions.
   to engage one's attention: to occupy one's attention.
   to be highly gratified: to be pleased or satisfied.

2. Give an instance from this chapter to illustrate the saying: angry people are not always wise.

   Angry people are not always wise in other words they are not aware of what they say, for example Miss Bingley talked to Elizabeth about the regiment and how their leave meant a loss to her family. Then she tried to criticize her openly in front of Mr.Darcy. She also tried to remind him of his first opinion of Elizabeth.

Chapter 41.

Summary :

Elizabeth got two letters from Jane telling her that Lydia had run away with Wickham, to get married. She also told her that her

father went to London to look for his daughter.

1. Note how Mrs.Bennet behaved on hearing that Lydia had run away. As you read noticé how her ideas change.

   Mrs.Bennet was sadly grieved . She, also fell sick, but from further reading we see how her feeling has changed. She is happy and she is only preoccupied by her daughter's dresses.

2. "his excessive distress will not allow him to pursue any measure in the best way". Explain this.

   Mr.Bennet's distress will hinder him from doing the right thing in the right way.

Chapter 42.

Summary :

Elizabeth thought of telling her uncle the whole story, as she was looking for him, Mr.Darcy appeared at the door. She told him what her sister did. He concluded therefore that such an incidence will prevent Elizabeth from going to Pemberley. The sympathy that Mr.Darcy showed changed Elizabeth's feelings in his favour. When Mr. and Mrs.Gardiner knew about Lydia , he promised every assistance in his power. They in addition decided to go back to Longbouru.

1. Explain the terms:

   to give yourself present relief: to take something to make you feel better.

   on terms of friendliness: cheerful or conforting situation.

   false excuses:

   not true, or inaccurate reasons.

Chapter 43

Summary :

As the whole party reached Loupbouru, Elizabeth inquired after her father, sisters and mother. Mrs.Bennet received them all in her room. The latter was blaming every body but the person to whose ill-judged upbringing of her daughter the faults of the later must be principally due. She is also now preoccupied by her daughter's wedding clothes, Mr.Gardiner declared his intentions of going to London to assist Mr.Bennet - When Elizabeth and Jane were able to sometime by themselves to talk, Jane showed her sister the letter that Lydia left to Mrs.Forster telling her that she had run away with Wickham.

1. What instances of Mrs.Bennet's selfishness are found in this chapter ?

   The fact that she put the blame on every body but the person to whose ill-judged upbringing of her daughter the faults of the later must be principally due. In other words she blamed every body but herself.

2. "The ideas of Mrs.Bennet change".

   At the very beginning she was sadly grieved but in this chapter we see that she is now thinking of her daughters wedding clothes.

3. Explain the terms:

   to recommend moderation: to urge temperate hopes.
   to hold one's tongue: not to talk too much when there is no necessity to.
   to act with the best intentions.
   to do a certain act with good purpose.

4. "Thoughtless Lydia" how did her letter show that this was a true description of her ?

   Lydia's letter shows that she does not realize how dreadful her did was. She is joking and sees the whole matter of running away and becoming a Mrs.Wickham as a joke. She also never mention a word of sympathy or regret to be sent to her family. All this stresses her thoughtlèssness.

Chapter 44

Summary :

In Bennet was still in London, when Jane received a letter from Mr.Collins. He tried to sympathize with them but in reality his words did not show it because his letter indirectly pointed to his satisfaction that he has not married one of the Bennets or he would have been disgraced by Lydia's dreadful deed. When Mr.Bennet came home without tracing his daughter, Mrs.Bennet did not express so much satisfaction. Elizabeth and Jane felt that her father suffered a guilty conscious because he considers himself responsible for what happened, because he allowed his daughter to go to Brighton.

1. Explain the terms:

   to blacken the man: to defame or disgrace the reputation of a man.

to gather the fruits of wickedness:

to bear the consequences of a bad behaviour.

2. Was Mr.Collins right in saying that "the behaviour of your daughter was due to a lack of discipline at home"? Did Mr. Bennet agree with his opinion ?

Yes, Mr.Collins was right, and Mr.Bennet agreed with him and consequently forbade his daughters from receiving in officer at home, from attending balls.

3. Comment on the advice given by Mr.Collins in the last sentence of his letter.

This advice is severe. It is true that Lydia deserves such a punishment but a father can not do this to his own child, an even if he shows his anger and dissatisfaction, they are always momentarily.

Chapter 45

Summary :

The Bennets received a letter from Mr.Gardiner telling them that he has found their daughter and Wickham who are not married yet. Their marriage depends on Mr.Bennet's giving his daughter five thousand pounds after his death and allow her during his life one hundred pounds a year. This agreement made by Mr.Gardiner in Bennet's name satisfied the later. When Elizabeth and Jane went to tell their mother, she was delighted not that her daughter's problem has been solved but that she will have a girl married at sixteen.

1. See question I in Chapter 41

Mrs.Bennet's whole concern now is how to prepare her daughter's wedding clothes, and also how to spread the news around to all her relatives and neighbours.

Chapter 46

Summary :

Mr.Bennet wrote to Mr.Gardiner to give his consent and thanks. Mrs.Bennet was very happy that she had been down stairs and took her seat at the head of the table once again. She kept on talking of her daughter's clothes, carriages and servants but her husband interrupted her to inform her that he will not allow his daughter to step in his house again. Elizabeth began thinking of Mr.Darcy whom she was now sure to be the most

suitable person for her. She was afraid that her sister's deed might change his opinion about her.

1. What difference would it have made to Mr. Bennet if one of his children had been a son ?

   The entail would be broken and their property would be settled free and consequently the widow and other children would by that means be provided for.

2. Trace the changes taking place in Elizabeth's opinion of Mr.Darcy. Try to account for these changes.

   She now believe that he is the most suitable person for her, because of his mind is now softened, his manners improved.

Chapter 47.

Summary :

Lydia was to be received at Longbourn. Elizabeth and Jane had urged their father so earnestly to receive Lydia and her husband When she came, she was received hearty by all except Mr.Bennet whose face grew more serious, and scarecely, pened his lips. They all remarked that Lydia was Lydia still, untamed, unashamed, wild, noisy and fearless. She insisted on telling her sisters about her weeding days. She went on through all the tiny details. But in her account she mentioned that Mr.Darcy was present. This news left Elizabeth burning with curiosity. She hastily wrote a letter to her aunt, to request an Explanation.

1. Explain the terms:

   a transfer had been arranged: to move to another place.
   to make a fresh start in life: to start a new life.

   easy confidence: cocksureness.
   to be reduced to tricks to find out something
   to refer to stratagem to discover something.

2. What did Lydia mean by saying "I take your place now because I am a married woman"?

   Lydia said this sentence to stress herself importance. This showed another feature of Lydia's character.

3. Explain: He was her dear Wickham on every occasion.

   This means that everytime Lydia mention Wickham she said: my dear Wickham, or she always gave the impression that he was her loving husband.

Chapter 48.

Summary :

Elizabeth received a letter from her aunt telling her that Mr.Darcy had played a major role in tracing Lydia and Wickham, and it was him too who settled the matter with Wickham. Mrs.Gardiner's letter was full of praise for Mr.Darcy. Elizabeth's inner feeling told her that Darcy did all this for her - All this made her feel proud of him.

1. What part did Mr.Darcy play in arranging the affairs between Mr.Wickham and Lydia.

   Mr.Darcy knew that Wickham hoped to make his fortune by marriage, therefore Darcy wanted to secure him money and position in order to convince him to marry Lydia. Mr.Gardiner promised Darcy to pay Wickham's debt, then another thousand pounds to be settled on her and a good position in the army for Wickham.

2. Why did Mr.Darcy take all this trouble ? Do you think the reason he gave was the real one ?

   Mr.Darcy took all this trouble mainly to gain Elizabeth's heart and love, and the reason which he gave was nothing but a veil to hide the real one.

Chapter 49.

Summary :

The departure of Lydia made Mrs.Bennet dull for several days , but her spiritless condition was shortly releived when she knew that Mr.Bingley was coming to Netherfield. Jane knew the news also. Few days after Bingley's arrival, he and Mr.Darcy were received at the Bennets. Elizabeth remarked that her sister's beauty served the admiration of her former lover. But she also remarked that Darcy was silent and said nothing to her when the gentlemen rose to go, they were invited to dine at Longbourn in a few day's time.

1. Explain :

   to say many pretty things   to say a lot of nice words.

   an article of news which began to be in circulation
   a news that was spread.

   perfect indifference
   complete lack of feeling or interest.

2. Account for the difference in Mrs.Bennet's behaviour towards Mr.Bingley and Mr.Darcy .

Mrs.Bennet received Mr.Bingley with a great degree of attention while Darcy was received with a cold a ceremonious politeness Mrs.Bennet also kept talking to Mr.Bingley and telling him about Lydia's marriage.

Chapter 50.

Summary :

On Tuesday Mr.Bingley and Mr.Darcy were received at the Bennets. At the dinning table Bingley sat besides Jane. This delighted Elieabeth greatly. But he was also embarrassed because Mr.Darcy kept silent almost all the time, she could not understand this attitude of his.

Chapter 51.

Summary :

Mr.Bingley was again invited at the Bennets. But this time he was left with Jane alone. So as to allow them to speak free by - Mr.Bingley offered marriage to Jane. Mr.Bennet agreed and congratulated his daughter. They were all happy. Mrs.Bennet whispered the news to Mrs.Philips who in her turn passed on the news to other neighbours. Mr.Bingley became from that moment a daily visitor at Longbourn.

1. Why was Mrs.Bennet so anxious to get all the family out of the room so that Mr.Bingley and Jane might be alone ?

Mrs.Bennet intended to let them alone in order to allow them to talk freely without being disturbed by the presence of others. She also hoped that their being alone would help them narrow the gap between them t' ‵ occured after Mr.Bingley departure.

2. Did her plan meet with success ?

Mrs.Bennet plan was greatly successful, because Mr.Bingley had offered her daughter marriage before living.

Chapter 52.

Summary:

Lady Catherine paid a sudden visit to the Bennets. She asked Elizabeth to give her company in her walk in the garden. Until that moment Elizabeth could not guess the real reason of Lady Catherine's visit. But few minutes in the garden Lady Catherine made herself completely clear. She told Elizabeth that Mr.Darcy and her daughter have been intented for each other from their childhood, and that

she wished that what she had heard about Darcy's engagement to Elizabeth turns out to be false. Elizabeth asured to her visitor that she is not yet engaged to him. Lady Catherine in her talk with Elizabeth did not care about Elizabeth's feeling, all what she cared about was to stop that engagement. Elizabeth unpleased of Lady Catherine's way of talking asked her to return to the house.

1. Explain :

an air more than usually ungracious

manner that is not courteous to favour someone with one's company.

to give a person the honour of one's presence.

2. In what way was Lady Catherine "insolent and disagreable "?

She had insulted her in every possible way - she felt no embarrassment in mentionning that the Bennets are people without money and rank. She also refered to the situation in which Lydia's marriage was held.

Chapter 53

Summary :

As Elizabeth was busy thinking of Lady Catherine's visit, she was surprised to know that her father received a letter from Mr.Collins telling him that Mr.Darcy is thinking of marrying Elizabeth. Mr.Collins also warned them that his aunt does not look on the match with a friendly eye. Elizabeth could not answer her father's astonishment but by a laugh and gave no reply.

1. Why did Lady Catherine try to prevent a marriage between Mr.Darcy and Elizabeth ?

She tried to prevent the marriage because she wanted Mr.Darcy to marry her daughter whom she thought to be the most suitable person for him.

2. Did Mr.Bennet think such marriage was likely ?

Mr.Bennet could not believe that such marriage was likely mainly because he thought that each of the couple was indifferent to the other. Of course he ignored what was going on between the two .

3. Why did Mr.Collins write his letter to Mr.Bennet ?

Mr.Collins wrote this letter to give them an idea about Lady Catherine's feeling concerning this marriage.

Chapter 54

Summary :

Mr.Bingley with his friend Mr.Darcy called on the Bennets, the two couples: Mr.Bingley and Jane, Mr.Darcy and Elizabeth went on a walk each alone. Elizabeth had made a desperate resolution but was unable to carry it on, because in a moment she had made Darcy sure of her love. At this moment they felt that nobody can separate them nor ever Lady Catherine.

1. Explain :

a desperate resolution: a despondent opinion , or idea.
m'a mistaken light: misunderstanding.
to trifle with a person: to toy with a person.
to learn to be laughed at. to be duped

2. "I have been a selfish being all my life" would you say that this was true from what you have read of Mr.Barcy.

Yes - he was a selfish being - his selfishness was obvious when he declared his opinion of Elizabeth, in the ball in a voice that was heard - then when he decided that Jane was not suitable for Bingley.

Chapter 55.

Summary :

Mr.Bingley and Mr.Darcy called on the Bennets the next day. Elizabeth and Darcy went on their walk where they decided that they should announce the happy new in the evening. Mr.Bennet gave his approval after having talked with Elizabeth and after being sure that Darcy was the object of her choice. But Elizabeth had to tell her mother too, the later's astonishment was great but then she was extremely happy to have soon three married daughters.

1. "It was not in Darcy's nature to express happiness in high spirits" Explain this.

It was not in Darcy's nature to show his happiness in great order. He was silent and calm as usual.

2. What had Elizabeth said that made Jane twice ask her to be serious.

Elizabeth told her that she loved Mr.Darcy and that she intended to marry him.

3. Why did Mr.Darcy try to discourage Elizabeth from marrying Mr.Darcy?

Mr.Bennet tried to discourage his daughter from marrying Mr.Darcy because he knew him to be a proud and unpleasant man,

4. In what way was Mrs.Bennet's true character shown by what she said when she heard that Elizabeth was engaged to Mr.Darcy?

As she heard the news, all what mattered to her was the jewels, the money and the carriages her daughter was intended to have, then the fact that she will soon have three married daughters.

Chapter 56.

The Bennet house included now Mr.and Mrs.Bennet and Mary who was obliged to stay with her mother. As for Kitty she spent most of her time with her two elder sisters, this helped her to be removed from the influence of Lydia's example. Mr.and Mrs.Bingley bought an estate in Derbyshire, this made them visit often the Darcys. Mr.Wickham but not her husband was received by the Darcys. As for Lady Catherine, her friendly relations with the Darcys were broken off for some time because she had expressed her anger in a letter so insulting a manner about Elizabeth.

1. Think over the whole story and, in a few words as possible, give your opinion of Mr.and Mrs.Bennet and each of their daughters.

Mr.Bennet: Mr.Bennet is a calm and passive person. his is not fitted to be a husband.

Mrs.Bennet: a silly, ignorant and narrow minded woman, all what she cares about is to get her daughters married.

Jane: a mature, sensitive girl;

Elizabeth: a frank and direct person. She is also very wise.

Lydia: She is a selfish , careless, idle and thoughtless girl.

Kitty: a weak spirited and nervous girl - he has a week,personality which put her always under Lydia's guidance.

Mary : a serious minded and studious girl.